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CAMPAIGN FINANCE DIVISION

☒ **WAIVER REQUEST**
☐ **RECONSIDERATION REQUEST**

DATE: 2/25/2021
DOCKET #:

FILER INFORMATION

Name: Stephen J. Ortego
Office: State Representative, 39th Representative District
Parish: LAFAYETTE, ST. LANDRY
Election Date: 10/24/2015
Level of Office: District

REPORT INFORMATION

Name of Report: SUPP 2019
Original Due Date: 2/18/2020
Date Filed: 10/5/2020
Activity Receipts: \$-0
Expenditures: \$1,500.00
Funds at Close of Reporting Period: \$15,942.40

LATE FEE INFORMATION

Amount of Late Fee: \$2,000
Days Late: 230
Late Fee Order Received: 10/2/2020
Payment/Waiver Request Due Date: 10/22/2020
Waiver Request Received: 10/12/2020
Additional Information Requested:

- Medical
- Financial
- Other

COMMENTS: Stephen J. Ortego request a waiver and states the following: He learned that he had not received a letter asking that him submit the 2019 Supplemental Campaign Finance Report because it had been mistakenly mailed to my home address which does not have a mail receptacle (107 East St. Peter Street Carencro, LA). In the past, all correspondence from the Board of Ethics has been sent to P.O. Box 488, Carencro, LA 70520. He received this late fee letter because it was sent to this same P.O. Box. For this reason, his report was not filed in a timely manner and he had the impression that this election after four years no longer needed a supplemental report because he did not receive your letter. As soon as he received the letter dated Sept. 25 and spoke with the Ethics office on the phone he submitted the required report online.

OTHER LATE FEE INFORMATION

Campaign Finance:

Other Outstanding Reports: No
Other Outstanding Late Fees: No
Prior Late Fees: Yes
Reassessed Late Fees: No

Disclosure Statements:

Other Outstanding Late Fees: No
Prior Late Fees: No

6 Oct. 2020

Attention: Louisiana Board of Ethics

Re: Late fee assessment on letter dated Sept. 25, 2020

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Dear Ms. Horn,

I would like to request a waiver for the late fee assessment from the October 24, 2015 Election. After speaking with you, I learned that I had not received a letter asking that I submit the 2019 Supplemental Campaign Finance Report because it had been mistakenly mailed to my home address which does not have a mail receptacle (107 East St. Peter Street Carencro, LA).

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I look forward to your prompt reply and thanks for your understanding on this mix-up.

Sincerely,



Stephen J. Ortego

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